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Reference is made to your letter dated February 1, 1955 relating to the disability allegedly incurred by about June 1953 while employed by the United States Government.

In order to adjudicate the claim in this case it is essential that the Bureau have detailed information concerning the employee's work assignments, working conditions, his personal health history and full reports covering the medical care which he has received since the beginning of his present complaints. Your cooperation is solicited in furnishing the Bureau with the necessary additional information indicated below:

- 1. A detailed statement by the employee's official superior showing the work performed by the employee. This should include a specific statement of the employee's various assignments of duty, the nature and period of service on each assignment showing where possible the hours per day and the days per week worked on each. It should also show whether the work performed by the employee was in any way different or more hazardous than that performed by other employees engaged in similar duties.
- 2. A statement of any specific instances known to have occurred in connection with the employee's work which exposed him to contact with persons suffering from active tuberculosis. Such statement should include full details of such exposure and the nature, time and circumstances connected therewith. Signed statements from co-workers or others having knowledge of the occurrence should be furnished if practicable.
- 3. A statement concerning the living conditions of the employee including specific advice as to whether he was required to occupy living quarters shared with persons known to be suffering from tuberculosis.

Information should also be furnished regarding the non-work time activities of the employee. Lack of rest, poor food, poor living conditions, dissipation, etc., should be covered fully.

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4. Furnish copy of reports of pre-employment physical examination and all subsequent physical examinations on file in the establishment including x-ray and laboratory reports. Also furnish a report of the leave record of the employee, and for all sick leave a statement of the nature of the illness where known. Information should be obtained regarding the employee's previous health history and submitted.

The record shows that this individual has had extensive medical care since he first went on duty in the foreign country in 1951. Full medical reports should be obtained from each of the physicians and hospitals where medical service was obtained from 1951 to date, including the Veterans Administration.

- 5. The employee should furnish his statement showing whether or not he ever had tuberculosis or any other incapacitating respiratory disease. He should also furnish a history of any previous illnesses, showing the approximate date and the name of the attending physician as well as the nature of the illness. He should furnish his family health history, stating specifically whether any member of his immediate family living or dead ever suffered from tuberculosis and whether he lived in the same house or otherwise than at his work was in close contact with a person suffering from such disease. Full information should be furnished of any such exposure.
- 6. If the employee has been employed since leaving the establishment information should be furnished regarding the nature of his employment and the name of his employer.
- 7. Your establishment should investigate carefully the allegations contained in the employee's statement of his work conditions, and submit a report of your findings. Particular attention should be given to the report of exposure to a diseased houseboy. Full information should be furnished to show whether such exposure has been established in fact, and the dates and duration of such exposure.

The Bureau will be grateful to you for your help in developing the facts in this case and such assistance will greatly facilitate a decision in respect to the claim of your employee. Further action on the case will be deferred pending receipt of your response to the foregoing.

Very truly yours,

Chief Claim Examiner

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